

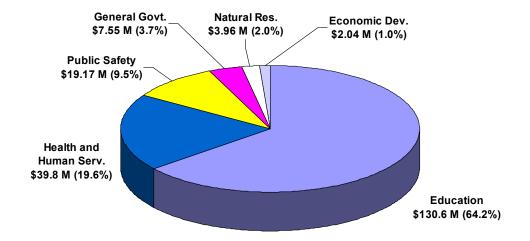
How far are we willing to go?

What does \$200 million mean for Idaho?

With a \$200 million shortfall and growing needs in education, Medicaid and public safety, Idaho is faced with some very unsettling options to balance the FY04 budget. After two years of nearly \$200 million in cuts, solving the problem with across-the-board cuts alone would have severe impacts on vital public services. A \$200 million shortall amounts to 10% of the state budget.

A 10% Across-the-board Reduction means:

- Slashing \$130 million from Public and Higher Education
- Eliminating \$40 million (plus losing \$93 million in Federal Funds) in Health and Human Services
- Cutting \$19 million from Public Safety, including Corrections
- Cutting \$3.9 million from Environmental Programs and Natural Resource Agencies
- Eliminating \$2 million from Rural Economic Development
- Cutting General Government, including the National Guard by \$7.6 million



Total Potential Across-the-board Cuts: \$202.6 Million